

News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Frederick County Agency Updates for August 19, 2021

Frederick, MD – August 19, 2021

Vaccinations in Frederick County

1st Dose Given

150,740

2nd Dose Given

138,929

Single Dose Given

16,461

Fully Vaccinated

155,390

% of Population Vaccinated

58.1%

1st Dose

% of Population Vaccinated

53.5%

2nd Dose

% of Population Vaccinated

6.3%

Single Dose

% of Population Vaccinated

59.9%

Fully Vaccinated

Frederick County residents fully vaccinated by age group:

% of Population 12-17 Years of Age	% of Population 12+ Years of Age	% of Population 18+ Years of Age	% of Population 65+ Years of Age
52.1%	73.1%	74.9%	90.2%

Confirmed Cases

20,861

Change in Last 24 Hours: +61

Confirmed Deaths

338

Change in Last 24 Hours: +0

7-Day Positivity Rate

6.57%

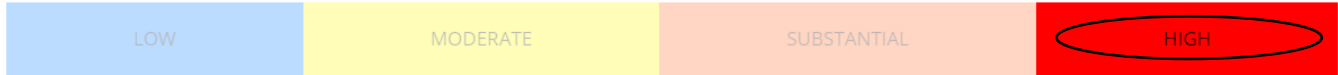
Please check our dashboard for statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

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Frederick County Joint Information Center COVID-19
www.frederickcountymd.gov/JIC

Updates from CDC

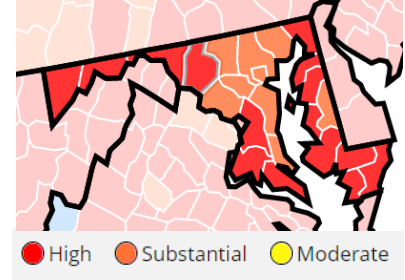
Level of Community Transmission in Frederick County, MD: HIGH



Take actions to protect yourself and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

If you aren't vaccinated:

- ✓ Get vaccinated
- 😊 Wear a mask over your nose & mouth
- ➡ Stay at least 6 feet from others
- 🚫 Avoid crowds & poorly ventilated spaces
- 👐 Wash your hands often



Everyone—even vaccinated people—in areas with a substantial or high level of community transmission should wear a mask indoors in public. More: <https://bit.ly/2Hw1EZZ>

Booster vaccinations (third dose of Pfizer or Moderna) are available now for people who are moderately or severely immunocompromised. For more information on who is included in this category, please review the [CDC website](#).

[CDC announced yesterday](#) that they are prepared to offer booster shots for all Americans beginning the week of September 20 and starting 8 months after an individual's second dose. At that time, the individuals who were fully vaccinated earliest in the vaccination rollout, including many health care providers, nursing home residents, and other seniors, will likely be eligible for a booster. CDC would also begin efforts to deliver booster shots directly to residents of long-term care facilities at that time, given the distribution of vaccines to this population early in the vaccine rollout and the continued increased risk that COVID-19 poses to them. Read CDC's media release [here](#).

COVID-19 Testing Update

Our Hillcrest testing location (located above Masters Pharmacy) is open daily from 10am-6pm.

- Testing is FREE
- This is a walk-up site for PCR tests
- No appointment is needed
- Results within 48 hours

Check out [our website](#) for more testing locations around the county.

Hillcrest Rockledge Plaza

COVID-19 Testing Update

New Daily Hours:
10am – 6pm

Hillcrest Rockledge Plaza
(above Masters Pharmacy)
1100 W. Patrick Street - Unit H
Frederick, MD 21701

Testing is FREE. Results within 48 hrs.

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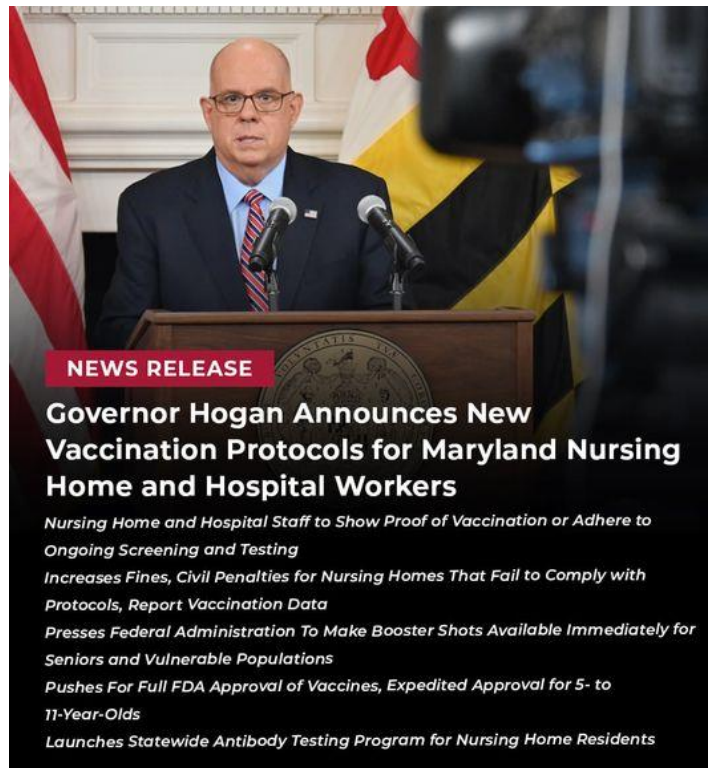
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Maryland Updates

Governor Hogan made the following announcements yesterday about COVID-19:

- **Nursing Homes.** Employees of Maryland nursing homes will need to receive their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by September 1. Nursing homes that fail to comply with the new vaccination protocols or to report their vaccination data will be subject to increased fines, civil penalties, and enforcement actions.
- **Hospitals.** Employees of hospitals statewide will also need to receive their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by September 1. Many of the state's largest hospital systems, including the University of Maryland Medical System, Johns Hopkins Medicine, MedStar, and GBMC Healthcare, have already mandated vaccines for staff.
- **Booster Shots for Immunocompromised Marylanders.** Following authorization by the FDA and CDC, state health officials have partnered with providers across the state to ensure that booster shots are immediately available for immunocompromised Marylanders. No prescription or doctor's order is needed to acquire a third vaccine dose.
- **Antibody Testing Program.** In preparation for booster shots being made more widely available, Governor Hogan announced the launch of a new statewide antibody testing program for nursing home residents to ascertain their levels of immunity. The pilot program will begin with 500 residents across the state and will provide critical data regarding the need for booster shots.
- **Monoclonal Antibody Therapy.** State health officials are strongly recommending monoclonal antibodies—which have proven to be effective against the Delta variant—for patients with mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19. Thousands of Marylanders have already been given monoclonal antibody therapy at dozens of hospitals and facilities across the state, and it has helped prevent hundreds of hospitalizations and deaths.

The complete press release can be viewed [here](#).



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Reminders

Testing for COVID-19:

- If you think you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed to someone who does, get tested!
- Testing is available throughout the county with clinics by the Health Department, Frederick Health Hospital, and various pharmacies. See [our website](#) for details.
- Once you've been tested, stay away from other people until you get your results. Don't go back to school or work while waiting for your results.
- If you test positive, you need to **isolate** yourself and stay away from other people to avoid spreading the virus.



Contact Tracing: Contact tracing is the process of identifying people who may have come into contact with an individual with an infectious disease. When you get a call from a Contact Tracer, please give them honest answers. Contact tracers will never ask for:

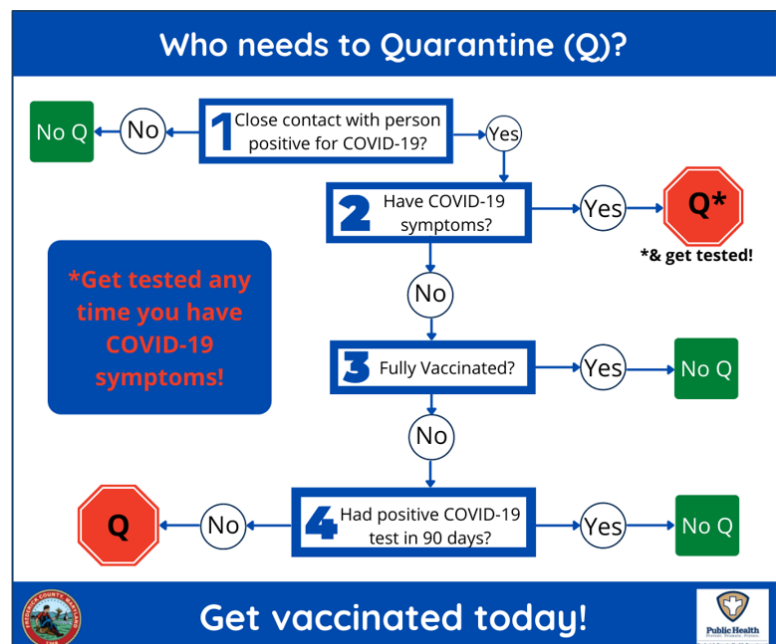
- Your social security number, financial or bank account information or personal details unrelated to COVID-19
- Pictures or videos
- Your passwords
- Money or payment



Who Needs to Quarantine?

Current protocol is that anyone who is a close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19 AND who is not fully vaccinated and will need to quarantine (stay home from school or work) for a minimum of 7 days.

Most fully vaccinated people with no COVID-like symptoms do not need to quarantine (be restricted from work or school) or be tested following an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. [CDC Information.](#)



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Frederick Vaccination Update

All Marylanders 12 and older are eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccination. **Please note that only Pfizer is authorized for people 12-17 years old. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.**

Frederick County Health Department has clinics in a variety of locations throughout the county. This list can be found at <http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine>. New links are added on Mondays.

- Schedule an appointment by going to <http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine> or call 301-600-7900 Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm, or call 301-600-7905 for Spanish.
- For other dates/times, check out [Frederick Health Hospital](#) and other [locations](#).
- If you need an in-home vaccination, please call 301-600-7900 to schedule.

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, Aug. 19	4-7pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Thursday, Aug. 19	5-7pm	Brunswick , Railroad Square, Brunswick, MD 21716
Friday, Aug. 20	10am-1pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Friday, Aug. 20	5-7pm	Thurmont , 615 E. Main St., Thurmont, MD 21788
Saturday, Aug. 21	10am-2pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Saturday, Aug. 21	10am-12pm	Asbury UMC , 101 W. All Saints St. Frederick, MD 21701
Monday, Aug. 23	1-4pm	Fredericktowne Mall 1317 W. Patrick St. Frederick, MD 21702
Tuesday, Aug. 24	12-2pm	Emmitsburg 17701 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg, MD 21727
Tuesday, Aug. 24	4-7pm	St. John the Evangelist 118 E. 2nd St. Frederick, MD 21701
Wednesday, Aug. 25	4-7pm	800 Oak Street , Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Thursday, Aug. 26	1:30-2:30pm	Rescue Mission , 419 W. South St. Frederick, MD 21701

LYFT Ride Option: Those who need a ride to get vaccinated can visit www.uwfrederick.org/rideunited for more information or can call 301-600-7900 for English or 301-600-7905 for Spanish. The first \$25 of each one-way ride is completely free to the rider.

Childcare option: [KinderCare](#), [Learning Care Group](#), and [YMCA](#) are all offering free child care to help parents and caregivers get vaccinated. For more information, visit the provider's website.

For More Information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19. Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: <https://cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19>
- Frederick County Government: www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Frederick County Health Department: health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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